

Project Introduction

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•Risk Mitigation vs Technology Evolution

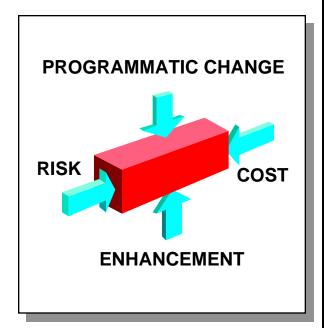


Mission Critical

- EOSDIS Functions
- Control spacecraft and instruments
- Capture and deliver data stream
- Produce and archive products
- Provide base pull services (standard products)
- Provide linkages to SCFs for push and pull services
- Provide infrastructure for linkages to external pull services
- Enable enhanced pull services, anticipate "ripple back" effect to standard products

Mission Success

Support development of enhanced pull services



Technology Transfer Concern



- Research is more likely to succeed in the technology insertion process IF
 - it is targeted towards EOSDIS architecture / components
 - it recognizes EOSDIS requirements and constraints
- Research results require
 - independent technology assessment addressing EOSDIS technology criteria or
 - "self-assessment" by researchers
- ESDIS approach involves EOSDIS Technology Transfer Testbed (which will be discussed in detail Wednesday by K. Moe)
 - easy access for technology demonstations
 - stricter criteria for accepting technology for test and evaluation (must show promise of cost benefit, functional enhancement)
- Project plans to release a Cooperative Agreement Notice in early 1996 for further applied research for EOSDIS

The Challenge



- Implications of continuing budget constraints
 - operations cost reductions/automation
 - use of Internet
- Technology Implications of the La Jolla NRC report
 - competitively selected data centers with more diverse, less integrated systems
 - more dynamic opportunities for technology insertion, but multiple targets and less leverage because of diversity and autonomous nature of data centers
- Implications of continuing, dramatic growth in info systems technology
 - leveraging WWW, mass storage, networking advances
- Working the ECS schedule and finding opportunites for improvements (for example)
 - VO IMS Web client
 - Hot Java prototyping
 - DBMS migration (Sybase to Illustra in Rel B)
- Project desires and needs productive interaction with the information systems technology community